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**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Mark Henry SHIPTON et al.

Group Art Unit: 1775

Application No.: 10/676,042

Examiner: R. KOEHLER

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Docket No.: 117313

For: METHOD OF FORMING A DIFFUSION BARRIER ON A METALLIC SUBSTRATE

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the January 4, 2006 Office Action, please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims; and

**Remarks.**